THE SPEECH

Of the Right Honorable,

The LORD MAYOR of *London*,

With the Humble

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OF THE

MILITARY FORCES

Of the ſame CITY, To

The Kings moſt Excellent

MAJESTY.

With His MAJESTIES moſt Gracious

ANSWER

Thereunto, And

LETTER

To the Lord Mayor thereupon.

And all the Tranſactions incident thereunto.

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THat highly deserving Gentleman, and faithfull Subject, Sir *Richard Brown*, Knight and Baronet, now Lord Mayor, and Major General of the City of *London*, the Field Officers, Captains, and otherinferiour Officers of all the Trained Bands, the Regiments of Horse, and Regiments of Auxiliary Forces of that famous City, met on *Tuesday* the second of *April*, 1661. at the *Guildhall* of the same City and there subscribed the following Addres.

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YOur most Loyal and most Devoted Subjects, Your Major General, Field Officers and Captains, with all the Inferiour Officers of the several Regiments of Your Trained-Bands of Your City of London, *whiles some mens zeal, through unrighteous Seducements, seems a little cooled towards Your Majesties Service, Do with all humble boldness Remonstrate the Constancy of theirs; And in a deep sense of their Duty and high Obligations to Your Sacred Majesty for Your especiall Indulgencies to this Your Native City, do Dedicate their Lives and Estates to Your Majesties Service; Hereby adding to their Oath of Allegiance, That they will not only bear Faith and Obedience to Your Majesty, but upon all Occasions joyfully employ and improve their uttermost power and vigilancy with their Lives and Fortunes to destroy Your Enemies in defence of Your Royall Person and Authority, and securing all Your just civil Interests, with the Interest of Religion as it is now established by Law: For, Your Majesty being eminently the most Pious, Gracious, and Worthy Prince in the*

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World, we cannot, without exceeding all other Subjects in Loyalty and Affection, deserve the Title of

Your Majesties
True, Dutifull, Humble, and
Obedient Subjects and Servants.

The said Addres was subscribed by the several Officers, as well Superiour as Inferiour, of all the Trained-Bands, the Regiments of Horse and Auxiliary Forces of the City, to the number of some five hundred persons; which being already re-printed and published, is here forborn.

All which marched in an orderly Train on Foot, onely the Lord Mayor leading them in his Coach to the Court at *Whitehall*, and were instantly received into the Banquetting-House. His Majesty at their coming being in debate of some important Affairs at the Council, was pleased in much favour to send a Person of quality, and after him several other Gentlemen one after another, to acquaint them with that occasion, and to bespeak their attendance till the same would permit His absence from the Council: Notwithstanding, it pleased His Majesty after a little while to spare himself from those Affairs at the Council; and with great shew of Princely favour and regard to receive the Papers of Addres into His own hand, being presented by the Lord Mayor after he had delivered himself in this affectionate Speech.

THE Lord Mayor's Speech.

May it please Your Majesty:

I *Came accompanied with these Your Officers, who command all Your* London

don *Forces both Horſe and Foot:* ☞ *Here* ☞ Pointing at them ſeverally. *ſtand thoſe that command Your Horſe, theſe Your Trained Bands, The other, Your Auxiliaries. When Your Majeſty hath taken a right view of them, You will ſee Loyalty linked in an unchangeable Chain; Theſe are they who will not ſwerve from what they ſwear, that's fealty without falſity, and it were a ſhame not to do ſo; ſeing we ſow in peace and reap the plenty which ſprings from ſo excellent a Governour, ſo good a Government: If You pleaſe, to ſee our hearts, theſe lines lead to them, and ſpeak for them, which I here humbly preſent unto Your Sacred Majeſty in their names and under their hands, Beſeeching Your Majeſty to accept them as a dutifull return of thoſe many ſignal favors vouchſafed by Your Majeſty to Your Native City and Loyall Citizens.*

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Whereunto His Majeſty replyed, That He had ſtoln a time from very important Affairs, on which He was in debate with His Council, to come to them; and gave a moſt gracious anſwer, declaring His good eſteem of them; His kinde reſentment of their Addreſs; His aſſured confidence in their faithfulneſs; His readineſs and deſire to advance the welfare of the City; and many other expreſſions full of Princely goodneſs and affection.

And after all this, was further pleaſed that night to ſend a worthy Gentleman, Clerk of the Council, to the Lord Mayor, to give notice that His Majeſty intended the next day to ſend down ſome Lords of His Council to make a more ample ſignification of His Majeſties gracious acceptance of the Addreſs, and to require a meeting of the Commanders and Officers for that purpoſe: But their Lordſhips, being prevented by the Lords Commiſſioners ſitting for Claims at the Coronation, ſent to excuſe their perſonal coming by a Meſſenger to the Lord Mayor, who alſo brought His Majeſties gracious Letter in theſe words.

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TRusty and welbeloved, We greet you well. We have received your Address, wherein you do not only give Us a full and acceptable Demonstration of your Duty, Love, and Loyalty to Us (which We do Graciously accept) but also shew forth an Eminent Example thereof to all other Our good Subjects within Our Kingdoms and Dominions. You may be assured that as Our Royal Progenitors have alwayes had a particular and extraordinary kindness for that Our Capital City, so We shall not come behind any of them in Our Princely care to make the same both flourishing and secure at home, and glorious and renowned abroad. And so We bid you farewell. Given at Our Court at

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Whitehall, this third day of *April* in the thirteenth year of Our Reign.

By His Majesties Command,

VVILL. MORICE.

To Our Trusty and Welbeloved, Sir *Richard Brown*, Knight and Baronet, Lord Mayor, and Major-General of Our City of *London*, to be Communicated to the Field Officers and Captains, with all the Inferiour Officers of the several Regiments of the Trained Bands, the Regiments of Horse, and the Regiments of Auxiliary Forces of Our said City.

Which being read in presence of all the Field Officers, made deep impressions of His Majesties Grace and Favour upon their minds, and drew forth all answerable acknowledgements in outward expressions, which they ordered presently to be represented to His Majesty by Sir *Richard Ford*, Sir *William Vincent*, and Sir *Thomas Player*, and directed them to beg of His Majesty this Royal addition, That they might publish in print the Narrative of the whole passage of their dutifull Address, and the most gracious reception thereof by His Sacred Majesty, for the just support of those good Subjects, whose Loyal affections attended that Remonstrance, and at once to stop the mouths of those who detracted from the Royal acceptance of it, and to encourage them (if they have any sense of Duty and Honor) to out-do the Remonstrants in the like real profession of their bounden duty: for which the said Officers shall both love and honor their new Rivals, and in all amity and mutual affections keep peace with them, if they can.

Which His Majesty was graciously well pleased to approve of, and consent that His Royal Letter, and all the preceeding Passages should be made publick.

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